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HAMMOND, INDIANA

POLITICIANS
EAGER FOR
LOCAL OUTING

HOW ONE CITY HAS SOLVED TRANSPORTATION PROBLEMS

HAMMOND IN NET WORK OF BUS LINES

Crown Point Line Last Spoke In Motor Wheel Serving Calumet Region

Hammond's strategic industrial position due to its manifold railroad facilities, is fast being augmented by its growing trade advantage. This is due to motor transportation lines connecting Hammond with cities, villages and towns in both Indiana and Illinois.

A veritable net work of bus lines leads out in every direction from it. The inauguration of motor bus service to Crown Point has opened a new territory from which trade will be drawn to Hammond stores. The Crown Point-Hammond buses, which began running Friday pass through the Ridge road district from Heaverville to south. The fare to Crown Point is \$1.00 with proportionate rates to intervening points. The bus leaves Hammond at 8:00 a. m., 1:00 p. m. and 5:00 p. m. and the running time is fifty minutes. Stops are made at Maynard, Dyer and St. John.

The Chicago Heights bus line has been running for months and is an established success. It passes through Munster, Lansing, Oak Glen, Thornton Homewood and other points en route to Chicago Heights. The East Chicago bus line has long been an assured success.

There is also a bus from East Hammond to Burnham and Hegewisch.

Another innovation is the automobile hourly service to Gary at the very reasonable rate of thirty-five cents. The motor cars leave Hammond and Sibley streets on the hour making the trip in thirty minutes. The interurban and street railways are sorely hit by the motor bus transportation. There is a growing sentiment on the part of the public that the street railways have passed their height of usefulness, and especially those that have not kept their tracks and equipment in good condition and do not supply frequent service. The bus line to Crown Point is to the greatest advantage to attorneys, their clients and witnesses who have cases to the circuit or criminal courts. Unless they had an automobile it was necessary to go by way of Gary in order to be at Crown Point at the opening of court. The trip by way of the Hammond-Gary and Gary-Crown Point interurban lines takes two hours and costs seventy cents.

WALTER KLEIBER BURIED WITH HONOR

Whiting's Overseas Hero is Laid Away With Fitting Ceremony.

(SPECIAL TO THE TIMES).
WHITING, Ind., July 25.—The funeral of Walter J. Kleiber, one of Whiting's overseas heroes whose body arrived here on Thursday was held on Saturday. The young man, a son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Kleiber of 411 1/2 North street, was a member of Battery E, 10th Field Artillery, A. E. F., and was killed in action at Greve Farm, France, on July 15, 1918. After his death he was awarded the D. S. C. by congress which was forwarded to his parents and now proudly cherished by them. Inasmuch as it exemplifies the extraordinary heroism and gallant conduct of their soldier son.

Upon the arrival of the body the American Legion took full charge of all arrangements. A. D. Heyden being undertaker. The funeral on Saturday was held at the Congregational church where the service was presided over by Rev. H. P. Ivey of the M. E. church. The American Legion quartette furnished music for the service, the pall-bearers and firing squad all being composed of overseas men. A band headed the line of march and the large turnout of soldiers, sailors and citizens shows that in Whiting the memory of those who died that others may live is still sacred and not forgotten. The American Legion are grateful to the citizens for the donation of machines to take the cortege to Oak Hill cemetery at Hammond, where the Legion conducted the last rites and paid Walter J. Kleiber the military honor and respect which were due him. Mrs. Kleiber, the mother of the young man, in speaking of the funeral said yesterday, "It was all so beautiful, the American Legion and others were so kind that instead of bringing back unpleasant memories it has on the contrary made me very happy and more satisfied than I have been since the news reached us three years ago."

U. S. REPLY IN JAP HANDS

TOKIO, July 25.—America's reply to Japan's inquiry regarding the Agenda of the Far East conference is in the hands of the Japanese foreign office today. It was transmitted to the foreign office on Sunday by Edward Reil, the American Charge d'Affaires.

The opinion is prevailing today that Japan will formally announce her acceptance of President Harding's invitation within a few days.

THE LAKE COUNTY TIMES

RIFT IN INDUSTRIAL CLOUD IS SEEN

CAN'T GET JOB; KILLS HIMSELF

Lewis Russell Wamsher shot himself last night in his room at 4218 Ivy St. Indiana Harbor, and died this morning as a result of the shooting.

It is said that Wamsher had been out of work for some time and had tried to secure employment at the different industries in the East Chicago district without success. And as a last attempt for work approached the manager of the Kaplan shows, recently showing in Indiana Harbor, for a job, but they could not use him. Dr. Cotter who answered the call believes that his inability to secure employment is the reason for Wamsher's suicide. Wamsher had come to Indiana Harbor from Morocco, Indiana, to work and be with his brother Harold, who is employed at the Indiana Harbor Lumber and Coal company.

The parents of the boy living in Morocco have been notified of their son's fate.

MOONSHINE PLAYS ROLE IN TRAGEDY

"Moonshine" played the principal role in another tragedy in Gary last Saturday night, when Trinidad Morena, Mexican, dependent because he was unable to find employment crazed from liquor was killed after he had attempted to take the life of a Gary police officer.

Officer Boil was traveling his beat near Thirteenth avenue and Adams street when he spied Morena making towards the alley. Suspecting that Morena was up to something the officer followed him into an alley and near him, he demanded the night prowler to halt.

As the officer flashed his flash light on him, Morena raised a .32 caliber revolver and fired, the bullet whizzing through the officer's cap. Officer Boil acted on the instant and returned fire, three of the bullets striking Morena's body and causing fatal wounds.

Morena raised himself to his feet, staggered for a distance of fifteen feet and fell dead on the steps in the rear of 1243 Adams street. His hand still clutched the revolver with which he attempted to take the officer's life. A quart bottle of moonshine which fell out of his pocket lay nearby.

The body was removed to the S. & S. Morgue. Police authorities are attempting to learn whether or not Morena has any relatives in this country.

NEW YORK, July 25.—It is expected in the trade that another reduction in steel prices will be announced by the United Steel Corporation soon in its third attempt to stabilize price levels. Last April the corporation announced the first reduction and July 10 the second.

Independents, acted accordingly, but since that time have made numerous price concessions, especially where competition for large tonnages were concerned. The corporation itself has abandoned its schedule price basis and is now operating on the open market policy.

Current prices of cast iron pipe are about as indefinite as pig iron. The basis of sales is generally around \$40 a ton, Birmingham, but a number of orders have been placed at lower prices. Manufacturers say that the one factor in the way of larger demand for this product is the freight charge running from \$10 to \$25 a ton.

WHITING MEN WILL FLIER 'CROSS COUNTRY

WHITING, Ind., July 25.—Edward C. Grady and Eberhardt Kellman left Friday for a cross country trip to Los Angeles, Calif., in a Ford touring car. On the machine they carry a sign "Cream of the Earth" and when questions are asked as to where the cream of the earth is, they will be presented with cards showing them this place is Whiting, Ind. Their mission is to stop at the Elks club room in every place they go through and get the signature of the two highest officers. If they can show they have done this mission, they are to give them a reward of \$50 when they reach San Francisco, Calif. The two men are to store up their many experiences and when they return to Whiting are to have numerous interesting things to relate.

Harbor Man Falls From A Canoe; Drowns

A happy throng of bathers were turned into one of sadness at Miller Beach east of Gary early Saturday afternoon when George Steffins, 21 years old of Indiana Harbor, fell from a canoe and was drowned in eight feet of water some 400 feet from shore.

Hundreds of bathers who were watching the gay party in the canoe, witnessed the tragedy. With Steffins in the canoe were Harry Hatch, also of Indiana Harbor, Miss Nellie Meyer of Hammond and Miss Ophelia Huran of Linton, Ind.

When the boat capsized all were thrown into the water. Life guards at the beach saw the canoe capsize and rushed to the spot where the four were struggling in the water. Steffins' body was not recovered until three quarters of an hour later.

Although physicians and life guards worked over him for more than an hour they were unable to restore any signs of life. The body was taken to William's morgue. Funeral arrangements have not been completed up to time of going to press today.

POST BROKE NEEDS HELP FOR JOBLESS

Due to the efforts of the Hammond Post of the American Legion to lend a hand to ex-service men who are temporarily out of luck the post's treasury is practically empty today. Yet the number of men seeking aid is increasing daily.

"Few people realize what we have been up against here," says W. E. Long, commander of the Hammond post. "We started out with the intention of helping worthy ex-service men. We tried to find them jobs and while they were getting on their feet we helped them financially. If a man was stranded in Hammond and wanted to get home we bought him a meal and a ticket and started him on his way."

He says that in the last month he and other officers of the Legion have been able to place about thirty-five men in jobs. Each case has meant that Mr. Long or another officer has lost half a day or more from his own work in hunting for the stranded friend. It is expensive business.

Many people are inclined to think that since the bulk of the boys have been home a year or more they should be settled by this time and able to take care of themselves. Mr. Long says that many of the men now applying for aid have only recently been turned out of hospitals, often without a cent of money.

Only a few days ago a young man with one hand in a sling called Mr. Long aside and in a husky voice told him he was broke. He said he was on his way to his home at South Bend. He had never in his life asked anyone for a lift before, but had finally been forced to give in.

He was a strapping big fellow. From an inside pocket he produced the decorations he had won overseas. "He had everything that a soldier could be awarded," said Long. "I never saw such an array of crosses and medals. Then he pulled out his discharge papers. The blank space was written full of special mention of different acts of bravery. The margins of the paper were also filled.

"Then he told me that he had been injured in an accident in Chicago shortly after being discharged from the hospital. Instead of sending him back to the military hospital they took him to the county institution. His hand became infected so the hospital authorities told him he had better get home before blood poison developed. He started to walk to South Bend. When he reached Hammond his hand was swollen to twice its normal size and he was all in. We gave him the money to ride home."

"We simply can't turn such men away," continued Mr. Long, "but what are we going to do when we have no money? The Red Cross can't help them and our treasury is empty. The Post has no running expenses since the county let us meet in the court house. We put on the minstrel show so we could continue our work. The public did not patronize the show and instead of making money, the Legion cleared nothing. The men who agreed to back it had to make up a deficit."

NEW YORK CENTRAL LOCOMOTIVE SHOPS WILL OPEN MONDAY

Albany, July 25.—The New York Central locomotive shops at West Albany, which have been closed since the first of the year, resumed today, according to orders posted Saturday.

About six hundred men, one-half of the force, returned to work. The West Albany shops are the largest on the Central system.

BIG PLANT TO RESUME OPERATIONS

Hundreds Of Men To Return To Work At Ry. Repair Co., August 1st

"We are over the hill. The road will be easier from now on."

A prominent manufacturer, banker and business man made this prediction today. It followed several announcements of industrial resumption.

1. The Illinois Car & Manufacturing Company of Hammond will resume operations August 1.

2. Twelve hot mills and 8 sheet mills of the American Sheet and Tinplate Company of Gary were put back into operation today.

3. The sheet mills at the Inland Steel Company in Indiana Harbor opened today at capacity.

4. The rail mill-barometer of the big steel mills at Gary, began speeding up today.

5. The Standard Steel Car Company at Hammond has orders that will necessitate the employment of additional men.

GO-GET-IT POLICY

Heads of Lake county industries have adopted a "Go-Get-It" policy that is bringing results. One of the first "Go-Getters" to bring home the bacon was P. H. Joyce, president of the Illinois Car & Manufacturing Co. Two weeks ago Mr. Joyce came east to see the executive heads of a railroad that is very friendly to the Calumet Region.

He explained the unemployment conditions in this district and urged the railroad not to delay placing orders for car repairing. He said the situation was such that employment must be open to the public not later than November first, with a spacious salesroom and service room automobile row will be proud to admit to its membership.

VERY SUBSTANTIAL ORDER
Sufficient to say that Mr. Joyce was successful and the Illinois Car & Manufacturing plant will open August 1 with the force of men it laid off when the shut down came, July 1. The order received from the friendly railroad was a very substantial one and the plant will not close again. In fact the order was larger than Mr. Joyce had any idea of landing when he went east.

The announcement of the reopening of the Illinois Car & Manufacturing plant will bring joy to hundreds of families. Most of the employees of the plant own their own homes and live in the vicinity of the plant. Many of them are buying their homes and unemployment was double disastrous to them.

DEATH CLAIMS MRS. G. P. STOUT

Respected Hammond Lady Answers Last Call Saturday Evening.

Last Saturday night at eight o'clock Mrs. George P. Stout, well known Hammond lady, passed away at the home of her son, William Stout, at 20 Detroit st. after an illness which has confined her to her bed for a year and a half.

Mrs. Stout, who was 77 years of age, survived her husband, who was a veteran coal dealer of Hammond, by six weeks.

Mrs. Stout had been an earnest worker in the First Presbyterian church for years prior to her illness and numbered her friends by the score in church and social circles. She leaves two children, William and Mary Stout, a brother living in West Virginia, a sister in Muncie, and three grandchildren, Harold, Mrs. Donald Gavitt and Kenneth.

The funeral will be held at the home Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock. Rev. J. H. Parrott of the First Presbyterian church officiating. Burial will take place in Oak Hill cemetery.

NUMBER OF LOANS MADE FOR HOMES

Building Picks up as a Result of Metropolitan Company Offer.

The announcement that money for building was available at the P. M. Meyn bank has resulted in numerous inquiries and a number of loans, according to David Emery, secretary-treasurer of the First Trust & Savings bank. The loans are being made by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company of which the First Trust & Savings is the local representative. They are made on a fifteen-year plan at 6 1/2 per cent to home builders.

RUM-RUNNERS TO BE DRIVEN FROM HIGH SEAS

NEW YORK, July 25.—Rum runners are to be driven from the high seas as were 70 pirates of a century or two ago.

With airplanes, submarine chasers and the largest peace time enforcement fleet since the days of piracy, the government is preparing to wage a war to a finish against the wholesale international conspiracy recently unearthed, to smuggle liquor into the United States, according to federal officials in New York.

The navy will co-operate, it was announced today in the fight against the

fleet of wind-pumpers equipped with wireless and fully horsepower auxiliary engines, which has been pouring liquor into this country across the Atlantic seaboard from Maine to Florida. Evidence that millions in foreign and American capital is back of the rum running scheme has spurred prohibition enforcement officials here to a great counter attack. The hootch ships will be spotted on their voyages by navy aircraft, run down by the mosquito fleet of submarine chasers and captured by heavily armed cutters, if present plans are carried out.

L. KNOERZER TO PADDLE OWN CANOE

Leo P. Knoerzer, known to hundreds of Lake county people, especially autoists, will be seen no more at the Bohling Auto Sales, where he has made many people happy in the ownership of an automobile.

He is being mourned by the entire force down at Bohling's although he is not quite dead yet. The whole thing is, Leo is jumping into his own puddle to see how good he can swim. He has proved himself one of the highest type salesman in his line in this territory, having sold Dodges, Chevrolets, Oaklands and Cadillacs for the past six years to hundreds of people all over the Calumet region.

At the present time his headquarters are with the Champion Auto Equipment Company, Sheffield and 15th st. where he is recruiting callers and making demonstrations. In the meantime plans are under way for a first class building on South Hohman street, near Douglas, which he expects to open to the public not later than November first, with a spacious salesroom and service room automobile row will be proud to admit to its membership.

KENNETH SHEETS WINS HUP AUTO

Kenneth A. Sheets of 1213 Beacon street, East Chicago, won the 1921 Hupmobile touring car awarded in the contest of the American Legion Post No. 21 contest last Saturday evening, July 23. The winning number was F-1222.

Mr. Sheets is employed at the Grassell Chemical company and says as long as there is no street car service in that direction, he will find the car very convenient in making the trips to and from work. It is said that this lucky fellow had only three chances on the car.

The time for awarding the Legion car was set for July 9, but for several reasons the date was discontinued until Saturday, July 23.

Marcus Kriesel was awarded the \$150 diamond ring for selling the greatest number of tickets in the automobile contest. Helen Szabo was second and Alice May third in the contest.

THREE DEAD IN AUTO COLLISION

TOLEDO, July 25.—Three are dead and four others are more or less seriously injured, as the result of a collision between an automobile and an interurban car on the Lake Shore Electric Railroad a few miles east of here late last night.

The survivors claim no signal was displayed at the crossing where the accident occurs.

ENTIRE COUNTRY SEARCHES FOR W. C. SPURGIN

CHICAGO, July 25.—Police of a continent today took up the hunt for Mr. Warren C. Spurgin, missing President of the Michigan Avenue Trust Company, who is accused of looting the institution of more than \$1,000,000.

Although the search is centering chiefly among the Canadian border the net which is being thrown out for Mr. Spurgin extended today to other sections of the country. It was reported that evidence against Spurgin would be presented to the grand jury and his indictment asked.

IRELAND'S REPLY IS AWAITED

LONDON, July 25.—Irish Peace activities were at a standstill in London today while waiting upon Ireland to speak the next word. It was reported from Dublin that Dail Eirann (Irish Parliament) would meet in that city to receive a detailed report from Sammon De Valeria, upon Premier Lloyd George's peace offer. This week should decide the fate of the negotiations for it is expected that a formal report will be received from De Valera by Thursday.

Latest Bulletins

(BULLETIN.)

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 25.—Three men lost their lives, eight carloads of cattle and hogs were drowned this morning when an extra freight train on the Burlington railroad jumped the track near Darby, Mo., six miles north of here, and hurtled into the Missouri river. A special relief train was hurried to the scene.

(BULLETIN.)

LONDON, July 25.—The giant Cunard liner Mauretania is burning at her dock at Southampton. There are no passengers on board. At 5:30 this afternoon word was received from Southampton that the blaze had spread rapidly and that the great liner was burning from stem to stern.

(BULLETIN.)

WASHINGTON, July 25.—President Harding today declined to make any tax revision suggestions to the house way and means committee but urged Chairman McNary to speed up the work as much as possible during a conference at the white house.

(BULLETIN.)

COLUMBUS, O., July 25.—Mrs. Ellen Fryer, 43 Rickenell road, was instantly killed, her husband, Henry Fryer, 47, was probably fatally injured and three of their five children, were less seriously injured, when the automobile in which they were riding skidded on East Broad street today and turned over in a ditch.

(BULLETIN.)

NEW YORK, July 25.—Two persons were carried to death when a soda automobile plunged 15 feet into a canal in Brooklyn early today. Firemen extricated two bodies, a man's and a girl's police believe the tragedy was the culmination of a joy ride.

(BULLETIN.)

NEW YORK, July 25.—An absolutely refuse to give up a thing, Delancey Nicoll, jr., attorney for the United States Mail Steamship company, nine of whose ships were seized by the shipping board, said today.

A long and bitter legal fight for possession of the disputed craft was to begin today, when counsel for the mail company applies for a temporary restraining order preventing the shipping board from interfering with operation of the ships.

PLUMMER AVENUE DENZEN ARRESTED

Judge Klotz Waives of the Stories Told About Conditions in Negro Dist.

The Hammond police took another crack at the Plummer ave. "Black belt" when they arrested Anna Winborn, charged with soliciting. Mrs. Winborn, who lives at number 2 Plummer ave., is the wife of Ed. Winborn, who engaged in a shooting affair with Ed. Mays, another negro several weeks ago. Officers Warner and Schadt made the arrest after the woman had approached a man. She was arraigned in the Hammond police court this morning and fined \$50. "I am tired of hearing complaints about conditions in the negro district," said Judge Klotz, "and I am going to put a stop to this soliciting. It is getting so that a decent man can't walk down the street without being approached."

Several speeders were captured by the Hammond motorcycle squad over the weekend, and were arraigned this morning. These men paid \$15 for the offense. Edgar Beatty, 1197 Forest ave., Chas. L. Davis, Evansville, Ind., Chas. F. Gregory, Evansville, N. E. Mammet, 1058 Garfield st. was fined \$11 for the same misdeed.

Drunks were Chas. Lydick, 563 Chicago ave., East Chicago and Joe McGowan, 34 State st. Hammond, whose case was continued.

Party Leaders Besiege Association Officers With Reservation Requests

(TIMES BUREAU AT STATE CAPITAL.)
INDIANAPOLIS, July 25.—Republican politics will begin to buzz at the meeting of the party's editors in the Calumet region this week. "While a great many of the preparations for future campaigns have been in progress months past, yet they have not taken on definite form. Many of the booms of ambitious statesmen will begin to crystallize at the gathering."

For years past the mid-summer meetings of the Indiana Republican Editorial Association have been more than a mere gathering of the ink bladders of Hoosierdom. They are always a social as well as a business affair, and the party leaders and men and women who figure, or hope to figure, in the affairs of the organization. This year will be no exception.

POLITICIANS EAGER FOR TRIP
Already Frederick E. Schortemeier, secretary of the state central committee, who is visiting Ed Hancock of Greensburg, president of the association, in making the arrangements, has received scores of applications for reservations on the special train which will leave Indianapolis Wednesday night for Hammond. It is expected that not less than 200 editors, party leaders, and their wives will board the special train. Of course many of those attending the outing will motor to Hammond while those living in the northern part of Indiana will take direct railroad routes to the starting point in Lake county.

CLIMAX AT GARY DINNER
The affair, from a political point of view, will come to a climax at the dinner at Gary Thursday evening. This banquet will be held at the Commercial Club. Among the leaders who will participate in the speaking program are Senator Harry E. New, Senator James E. Watson, Governor McCray, former Governor Charles S. Deneen of Illinois, E. M. Wasmuth, state chairman and George B. Lockwood, Mr. Hancock will preside.

At least four of the five men whose names are mentioned in the prospective candidates for governor in 1924 are to attend the outing. Chairman Wasmuth is one of this group. Ed Jackson, secretary of state, William G. Oliver, auditor of

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SIX HURT BY AUTOS AT GARY

Year Old Baby Wrenched From Mother's Arms When Auto Hits Pole.

A year-old-baby was wrenched from its mother's arms and thrown into a ditch ten feet away when a speeding automobile hit a telephone pole at Gary yesterday. It will live.

Beside the baby, an eleven-year-old child and four adults were taken to Gary hospitals as the result of motor accidents, last Saturday evening and Sunday. The injured are:

Baby girl of Mr. and Mrs. John Disko of Gary; cut and badly bruised.

John Disko, leg fractured in two places.

Eleven-year-old child, 11 years of age, of Mrs. Ruskaski, 11 years of age, John Peto, 810 Washington st., and John Skakola, 1604 Jefferson street, cut and bruised.

Tom Ortmann, 1056 Madison st., leg broken.

RUNS DOWN LITTLE GIRL
John Schachtel, 1605 Canfield st., was driving his machine on a road of the home of Rudolph Ruskaski at 1532 Carolina street when he struck the little girl as she was running across the street. The automobile passed over the eleven-year-old child, breaking a leg. She was rushed to the Mercy hospital.

BABY THROWN FROM CAR
John Disko was driving with his wife and their two children east on Ridge road yesterday afternoon when he lost control of the machine while it was traveling at a high rate of speed. The car hit a telephone pole. The year-old baby was wrenched from its mother's arms and thrown into the ditch. Disko sustained a double fracture of the right leg. Mrs. Disko and a six-year-old daughter were unhurt. A passing auto stopped and took the family to Gary where Disko and the baby are at Mercy hospital.

Antone Sam, 225 Fillmore street, was taking the air in his new Lexington touring car yesterday when John Peto and John Carlsnick, doing the brotherly act on a motorcycle, disrupted the road. Result: The two Johns did back somersaults to the pavement.

Even the pedestrian wasn't safe in Gary this week-end.
Tom Ortmann, 1056 Madison street, had evidently figured out that his best chance of escaping with his life were to hoof it. He dodged the get him, drove cars but the next one got him, breaking his leg. Steve Proch, 465 Maryland street, driver of the car apologized profusely to Tom but the latter was sore about it.

U. S. STEAMER IS SUNK

LONDON, July 25.—The American Steamship Parthian caught fire and sank off of the North African coast, said a New York Dispatch from Oran, Algeria, today.

All on board were saved. The cargo of silk and cotton was lost. The Parthian, 2,000 tons, sailed from New York